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The Wallflower

The Newsletter of the California Native Plant Society
Monterey Bay Chapter

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September/October 2013

Maintaining Native Gardens through the Year

Meeting Speaker: Helen Popper

There's a rhythm to native gardening in California, a rhythm that reflects our wilder surroundings. Each month and each season in the native garden have their characteristic chores and delights. In our September meeting, Helen Popper will discuss how that rhythm differs from the traditional gardening calendar. Starting with fall, when we anticipate leaving the dry season behind and prepare for our own green 'spring,' she'll discuss the timing of native planting, watering, weeding, and pruning throughout the seasons.

Helen Popper is the author of the calendar-based book, California Native Gardening, A Month-by-Month Guide. An essential year-round companion, this beautifully written and illustrated book nurtures the twin delights of seeing wild plants in the garden and garden plants in the wild.

General Meeting • Thursday, September 12

Visiting and Book Purchasing from 7:00pm
Meeting and Program Begin at 7:30pm

Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History



CALENDAR of FIELD TRIPS & EVENTS

Saturday, Sept 7, 1pm to 4pm Restoration
Broom Bash, East Side of Point Lobos State Reserve

Join us on these First Saturdays of the month in the beautiful Monterey pine forest of East Point Lobos. We'll use several techniques to remove French broom and help restore this area that wants to thrive with native plants. Meet in Carmel at the Rio Road Park and Ride. All supplies provided. Bring a friend, water and a snack. Contact Bruce Delgado at 277-7690 or bdelgado62@gmail.com for more information.

Sunday, September 15, 10am to 2pm Picnic
Chuck Haugen Conservation Fund Picnic

Chuck Haugen Conservation Fund (CHCF) started in 2004 two years after Chuck died "on the job" volunteering at the

Fort Ord National Monument due to allergic reactions to yellow jacket stings. Chuck inspired those around him while volunteering for several local conservation organizations. CHCF throws out the red carpet once a year and brings together volunteers and staff who work for the conservation of our local ecosystems. Please join us for this year's picnic at Toro Park. It will be at the Buckeye Picnic Area, 501 Monterey-Salinas Hwy, Salinas. We will provide two main dishes including one vegetarian option, plates and utensils. Please bring a side dish. Please RSVP at picnic@chuckhaugen.org or call (831)275-0395.

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Annual CNPS Plant Sale!

Saturday, October 5

10:00am to 1:00pm

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CARMEL MIDDLE SCHOOL • CARMEL VALLEY ROAD

While spring may be the best time to see California natives in bloom, fall is the best time to plant them. Get a head start on having a more floriferous spring by shopping our sale and planting this fall. Have no place to put new plants in your garden? Bring a friend and help them get started. Have a black thumb and no idea what to plant? Check out our large selection of books on gardening with California natives or ask one of our plant experts for help. Come see this amazing selection of native species and cultivars and take a few home to brighten your spring.

Some selections sell out quickly—be sure to get there early, but shopping and sales do not begin until 10am. To preview plant inventory, go to www.montereybay.cnps.org beginning October 1.

*CNPS Members Get 10% Discount
on Plant & Book Purchases!*



Picnickers get a closer look at the extremely rare Hickman's cinquefoil. Photo by Margret Cordts

Sunday, October 13, 10am to noon **Field Trip**
Mission Trail Nature Preserve Saunter

Walk with us in the footsteps of Father Serra. The good father wore out many sandals walking from the Carmel Mission to the Royal Presidio Chapel in Monterey. It's all uphill on the first half, but downhill on the way back. Approximately 2 miles through native Monterey pine woods, redwoods and coastal oaks. We will visit the Flanders Mansion in the center of the Preserve. Meet at 10am on Rio Road across from the Carmel Mission at the trailhead. For more information, phone leader, Joyce Stevens, at 624-3149.

Saturday, October 19, 3:00pm **Talk**
Serpentine: Ecology and Evolution on a Strange Soil

Serpentine soils have long fascinated biologists for the specialized floras they support and the challenges they pose to plant survival and growth. An upcoming talk by Dr. Susan Harrison (Professor at U.C. Davis) will focus on how serpentine soils offer a window to understanding the evolution and ecology of stressful environments. Find out about new ecological research and discover fresh insights into the plant species and communities that have evolved in serpentine habitats. \$5 admission at the Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History.

Sunday, Oct 20, 11am to 2pm **Restoration**
Soberanes Creek Cape Ivy Bash

Here Soberanes Creek falls into the ocean and needs our help continuing to remove various invasive weeds, primarily Cape ivy. On these Third Sundays, meet in Carmel at the

Rio Road Park and Ride to carpool. All supplies provided. Bring a friend, water, and a snack. Contact Bruce Delgado at 277-7690 or bdelgdo62@gmail.com for details.

Wednesday, October 23 **Field Trip**
Maple Falls, Forest of Nisene Marks

Join Andy Werner on this 8 mile Nisene Marks hike with 700 ft. elevation gain. Our path takes us through a lovely forest along beautiful creeks and eventually to serene Maple Falls. If our timing is right, we will enjoy gently falling maple leaves all around us as we relax for lunch at the falls. Some agility is required. Bring water and lunch. Arrive early; we depart at 8:40am from the far end of the parking lot in front of REI in Marina or depart from the parking lot behind Aptos Station at 9:30. Contact Lynn at 375-7777 for a reservation.



Leopard Lily field trip leader, Rod Yeager, with his group. Photo by Lynn Bomberger



Leaders Corky Matthews and Chris Tenney with participants on their recent Chews Ridge Wildflowers and Butterflies field trip. Photo by Lynn Bomberger

CNPS Santa Cruz Area Leaders **Field Trips**
Check online at cruzcnps.org for details on the following:

At the time of publication, there were no Santa Cruz area field trips listed online. Check their website for possible updates.

ARTICLES, ETC.

MPRPD SEEKS ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATORS

The Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District is seeking enthusiastic environmental educators to lead hikes focusing on local flora, fauna or unique features of the Monterey Peninsula. Examples of a hike might include a focus on the Monterey Pine Forest, the Carmel River Watershed, or a unique habitat of a Regional Park. A program from the perspective of CNPS could emphasize the benefits of membership.

Interested CNPS members can contact Joseph Narvaez, Environmental Education Coordinator at 831-372-3196

ext. 102 or narvaez@mprpd.org. Current planning is for the fall/winter 2013/2014 season, which runs from mid-October through March 31. The deadline is the end of August.

WE ARE PROUD TO ANNOUNCE...

No, not a baby; it's a website -

www.montereywildflowers.com

Michael Mitchell and Rod Yeager have compiled a photographic guide to almost 1,000 wildflowers, trees, shrubs and ferns to be found within about 15 miles of Monterey. Like their field guide to the Wildflowers of Garland Ranch, there are multiple photographs for the vast majority of the species together with information about the plants, how to identify them and where to find them. The website has been designed to be as user-friendly and easy to navigate as possible, starting either from color-coded pages with thumbnail photographs of all the plants or a complete index of common and scientific names. Try it out



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Publication Schedule of the Next Two Wallflowers

Newsletter	Deadline
November/December	Tues, October 15
January/February	Tues, December 17

Articles received after the deadline cannot be published.

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 California Native Flora in its Habitat



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Email _____

Chapter (County) Affiliation _____

Membership categories:

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| ___ Limited income — \$25 | ___ Plant Lover — \$100 |
| ___ Individual — \$45 | ___ Patron — \$300 |
| ___ Family — \$75 | ___ Benefactor — \$600 |
| ___ Mariposa Lily — \$1,500 | |

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 2707 K Street, Sacramento, CA 95816

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